

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A communication system comprising a server device and  
a plurality of client devices connected through a network  
and allowing mutual communications among users of the client  
5 devices,

the server device having,  
a matching unit which selects a candidate user for  
participant in a chat according to a specified standard,  
and transmits the information about this user to a client  
10 device; and

a chat processing unit which transmits specified  
information for starting a chat, when start of a chat is  
requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by  
the user selecting unit from one client device, to the client  
15 device of this specified user, and the one client device  
issuing this request, and

each of the client device having a display unit which  
displays the region for chat on the basis of the specified  
information when this information for starting a chat is  
20 transmitted from the server device.

2. The communication system according to claim 1, wherein  
the matching unit of the server device selects the user of  
other client device to which the same information is  
25 transmitted in the last place, concerning the information

transmitted in the last place to each client device, among the users of the client devices of which connection is established at the present.

5     3.     The communication system according to claim 1, wherein the matching unit of the server device selects the user preliminarily registered as having specific relation by the users of each client device, among the users of the client devices of which connection is established at the present.

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4.     The communication system according to claim 1, wherein the matching unit of the server device arrays or stratifies the selected users according to a specified standard.

15     5.     The communication system according to claim 1, wherein the server device further comprises a validation processing unit which rejects request of a specific processing, when a specific processing is requested from one client device to other client device, if the user of the one client device  
20     has been already registered as having a specific relation by the user of the other client device.

25     6.     A communication system comprising a server device and a plurality of client devices connected through a network and allowing mutual communications among users of the client

devices,

the server device having,

a matching unit which selects a candidate user for destination of transmission of message according to a  
5 specified standard, and transmits the information about this user to a client device; and

10 a message processing unit which transmits the content of the message to the client device of the specified user, when message transmission is requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by the user selecting unit from one client device, and when the content of the message is specified, and

15 each of the client device having an output unit which issues a specified output, when the content of the message is transmitted from the server device, so that at least its presence may be recognized by the user of the client device.

7. The communication system according to claim 6, wherein the matching unit of the server device selects the user of other client device to which the same information is transmitted in the last place, concerning the information transmitted in the last place to each client device, among the users of the client devices of which connection is established at the present.

8. The communication system according to claim 6, wherein  
the matching unit of the server device selects the user  
preliminarily registered as having specific relation by the  
users of each client device, among the users of the client  
5 devices of which connection is established at the present.

9. The communication system according to claim 6, wherein  
the matching unit of the server device arrays or stratifies  
the selected users according to a specified standard.

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10. The communication system according to claim 6, wherein  
the server device further comprises a validation processing  
unit which rejects request of a specific processing, when  
a specific processing is requested from one client device  
15 to other client device, if the user of the one client device  
has been already registered as having a specific relation  
by the user of the other client device.

11. A communication system comprising a server device and  
20 a plurality of client devices connected through a network  
and allowing mutual communications among users of the client  
devices,

the server device having,  
a profile storing unit which stores first  
25 identification information preliminarily given to the user

for identifying the user in the network, second identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying the user in the communication system, and permit information relating to approval or disapproval of  
5 use of the service to the user, being the information stored at least corresponding to the first identification information; and

a validation processing unit which extracts the permit information corresponding to the first identification  
10 information from the profile storing unit when the first identification information and second identification information are presented from the client device and use of specific service is requested, and judges approval or disapproval of presentation of service to the client device  
15 on the basis of this permit information and the request for use presented from the client device.

12. A communication system comprising a server device and a plurality of client devices connected through a network  
20 and allowing mutual communications among users of the client devices,

the server device having,  
a profile storing unit which stores identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying  
25 the user in the communication system, and an arbitrary handle

name of the user, by relating to each other; and  
an ID converting unit which extracts the handle name  
corresponding to the identification information from the  
profile storing unit when the identification information  
5 is presented from one client device and use of specific  
service relating to other client device is requested, and  
converts the identification information depending on this  
handle name.

- 10 13. A server device connected to plural client devices  
through a network, for allowing mutual communications among  
users of these client devices, the server device comprising:  
a matching unit which selects a candidate user for  
participant in a chat according to a specified standard,  
15 and transmits the information about this user to a client  
device; and  
a chat processing unit which transmits specified  
information for starting a chat, when start of a chat is  
requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by  
20 the user selecting unit from one client device, to the client  
device of this specified user, and the one client device  
issuing this request.

14. The server device according to claim 13, wherein the matching unit selects the user of other client device to which the same information is transmitted in the last place, concerning the information transmitted in the last place  
5 to each client device, among the users of the client devices of which connection is established at the present.

15. The server device according to claim 13, wherein the matching unit selects the user preliminarily registered as  
10 having specific relation by the users of each client device, among the users of the client devices of which connection is established at the present.

16. The server device according to claim 13, wherein the matching unit arrays or stratifies the selected users  
15 according to a specified standard.

17. The server device according to claim 13 further comprising a validation processing unit which rejects  
20 request of a specific processing, when a specific processing is requested from one client device to other client device, if the user of the one client device has been already registered as having a specific relation by the user of the other client device.

18. A server device connected to plural client devices through a network, for allowing mutual communications among users of these client devices, the server device comprising:

a matching unit which selects a candidate user for  
5 destination of transmission of message according to a specified standard, and transmits the information about this user to a client device; and

a message processing unit which transmits the content of the message to the client device of the specified user,  
10 when message transmission is requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by the user selecting unit from one client device, and when the content of the message is specified.

15 19. The server device according to claim 13, wherein the matching unit selects the user of other client device to which the same information is transmitted in the last place, concerning the information transmitted in the last place to each client device, among the users of the client devices 20 of which connection is established at the present.

20. The server device according to claim 13, wherein the matching unit selects the user preliminarily registered as having specific relation by the users of each client device, 25 among the users of the client devices of which connection

is established at the present.

21. The server device according to claim 13, wherein the matching unit arrays or stratifies the selected users  
5 according to a specified standard.

22. The server device according to claim 13 further comprising a validation processing unit which rejects request of a specific processing, when a specific processing  
10 is requested from one client device to other client device, if the user of the one client device has been already registered as having a specific relation by the user of the other client device.

15 23. A server device connected to plural client devices through a network, for allowing mutual communications among users of these client devices, the server device comprising:

a profile storing unit which stores first identification information preliminarily given to the user  
20 for identifying the user in the network, second identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying the user in the communication system, and permit information relating to approval or disapproval of use of the service to the user, being the information stored  
25 at least corresponding to the first identification

information; and

a validation processing unit which extracts the permit information corresponding to the first identification information from the profile storing unit when the first 5 identification information and second identification information are presented from the client device and use of specific service is requested, and judges approval or disapproval of presentation of service to the client device on the basis of this permit information and the request for 10 use presented from the client device.

24. A server device connected to plural client devices through a network, for allowing mutual communications among users of these client devices, the server device comprising:

15 a profile storing unit which stores identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying the user in the communication system, and an arbitrary handle name of the user, by relating to each other; and

an ID converting unit which extracts the handle name 20 corresponding to the identification information from the profile storing unit when the identification information is presented from one client device and use of specific service relating to other client device is requested, and converting the identification information depending on this 25 handle name.

25. A communication method allowing mutual communications among users of client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device executes,

5        a matching step of selecting a candidate user for participant in a chat according to a specified standard, and transmitting the information about this user to a client device; and

10      a chat processing step of transmitting specified information for starting a chat, when start of a chat is requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by the user selecting unit from one client device, to the client device of this specified user, and the one client device issuing this request, and

15      the client device executes a display step of displaying the region for chat on the basis of the specified information when this information for starting a chat is transmitted from the server device.

20 26. A communication method allowing mutual communications among users of client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device executes,

25      a matching step of selecting a candidate user for destination of transmission of message according to a

specified standard, and transmitting the information about this user to a client device; and

a message processing step of transmitting the content of the message to the client device of the specified user,

5 when message transmission is requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by the user selecting unit from one client device, and when the content of the message is specified, and

the client device executes an output step of issuing 10 a specified output, when the content of the message is transmitted from the server device, so that at least its presence may be recognized by the user of the client device.

27. A communication method allowing mutual communications 15 among users of client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device executes,

a profile storing step of storing first identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying 20 the user in the network, second identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying the user in the communication system, and permit information relating to approval or disapproval of use of the service to the user, being the information stored at least corresponding to the 25 first identification information; and

a validation processing step of extracting the permit information corresponding to the first identification information from the profile storing unit when the first identification information and second identification  
5 information are presented from the client device and use of specific service is requested, and judging approval or disapproval of presentation of service to the client device on the basis of this permit information and the request for use presented from the client device.

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28. A communication method allowing mutual communications among users of client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device executes,

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a profile storing step of storing identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying the user in the communication system, and an arbitrary handle name of the user, by relating to each other; and

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an ID converting procedure of extracting the handle name corresponding to the identification information from the profile storing unit when the identification information is presented from one client device and use of specific service relating to other client device is requested, and converting the identification information depending on this  
25 handle name.

29. A computer-readable recording medium recording a program for allowing mutual communications among users of client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device  
5 executes,

a matching step of selecting a candidate user for participant in a chat according to a specified standard, and transmitting the information about this user to a client device; and

10 a chat processing step of transmitting specified information for starting a chat, when start of a chat is requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by the user selecting unit from one client device, to the client device of this specified user, and the one client device  
15 issuing this request.

30. A computer-readable recording medium recording a program for allowing mutual communications among users of client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device  
20 executes,

a matching step of selecting a candidate user for destination of transmission of message according to a specified standard, and transmitting the information about  
25 this user to a client device; and

a message processing step of transmitting the content of the message to the client device of the specified user, when message transmission is requested by specifying whole or part of users selected by the user selecting unit from 5 one client device, and when the content of the message is specified.

31. A computer-readable recording medium recording a program for allowing mutual communications among users of 10 client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device executes,

a profile storing step of storing first identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying 15 the user in the network, second identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying the user in the communication system, and permit information relating to approval or disapproval of use of the service to the user, being the information stored at least corresponding to the 20 first identification information; and

a validation processing step of extracting the permit information corresponding to the first identification information from the profile storing unit when the first identification information and second identification 25 information are presented from the client device and use

of specific service is requested, and judging approval or disapproval of presentation of service to the client device on the basis of this permit information and the request for use presented from the client device.

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32. A computer-readable recording medium recording a program for allowing mutual communications among users of client devices by using plural client devices connected to a server device through a network, wherein the server device  
10 executes,

a profile storing step of storing identification information preliminarily given to the user for identifying the user in the communication system, and an arbitrary handle name of the user, by relating to each other; and

15 an ID converting procedure of extracting the handle name corresponding to the identification information from the profile storing unit when the identification information is presented from one client device and use of specific service relating to other client device is requested, and  
20 converting the identification information depending on this handle name.